# Draft Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners Date of Meeting: October 3, 2019 – 3:00 PM

Location: Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third Street, Detroit, MI 48226

### BOPC Vice Chairperson Eva Garza Dewaelsche called the BOPC Board Meeting to order at 3:00 PM (October 3, 2019)

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The Board acting in accordance with its rules approved the Agenda for October 3, 2019.

The Board acting in accordance with its rules approved the following Board Minutes: Thursday, September 19, 2019.

Vice Chairperson Eva Garza Dewaelsche, sald Good Afternoon! I am Police Commissioner Eva Garza Dewaelsche, At Large Member. I serve as the Vice Chair of the Board and will be conducting our meeting tonight. On behalf of the Board, for those in attendance, thank you for joining us. For people viewing this meeting on your government cable channel, thank you for viewing our meeting. Chairperson Lisa Carter is unable to attend today's meeting and Commissioner Willie Burton has asked to be excused. Vice Chairperson Dewaelsche requested each Commissioner to introduce themselves. Vice Chairperson Dewaelsche requested additional introductions of BOPC staff, Deputy Chief of Police Marlon C. Wilson, and DPD staff and other civic leaders and representatives. Chaplain Leonard Jackson provided the invocation.

<u>Vice Chairperson's Report</u>: VC Dewaelsche said, "As we do at each meeting, I want to express our concern and support for fallen and injured officers and their families. Our concerns for officer safety and citizen protection is ranked as two of the most important priorities of the Board. Our Board receives a weekly report from the Department listing injured officers. I would ask Deputy Chief Wilson during his remarks to provide us with any additional information related to injured and fallen officers." The Board of Police Commissioners meets every week except for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday periods. We meet at Police Headquarters 3 weeks in the month on Thursdays at 3:00 PM. We also meet in the community every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM. Under the Detroit City Charter, Article 7, Chapter 8, the Board is empowered to provide civilian oversight and supervisory control of the Police Department. Our Board investigates non-criminal citizen complaints, monitors the Department for compliance with all laws, and reviews and modify police policy to eliminate misconduct, discriminatory police practices and unnecessary use of force by police. As a civilian oversight agency, we protect the civil rights of citizens. Our objective is to increase the quality of life for residents and visitors to Detroit.

I want to point to several important items for your consideration. NACOLE (National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement) completed its successful conference here in Detroit. From all accounts from the conference it was well attended with some 500 registered attendees and content rich. Additionally, the BOPC also celebrated its 45th year as a local civilian oversight board. The 45th Anniversary Dinner was well attended. Our keynote speaker, Christy Lopez was outstanding and provided important insights into the work of local oversight organizations. Mayor Duggan and other distinguished guests along with 10 former police commissioners enjoyed an evening of fellowship and accomplishments. We also had strong representation from the community and a wide network of law enforcement people. I want to thank Commissioner Elizabeth Brooks for her leadership related to the anniversary dinner. Later in our meeting, I have asked staff to provide a brief overview of the NACOLE conference and our anniversary dinner.

We have a full agenda, today. We have two posthumous resolutions acknowledging the life of Investigator Larry Stephens and Police Officer Carlton Orange. I hope that you will join with the Board in recognizing the great contributions that both of these law enforcement professionals gave to our city. We also have a third resolution for the retirement of Corporal Charles Henley a 50 year veteran of the police department.

Immediately following my report, I will ask for a motion to correct our organizational chart so that it will conform to our existing By-Laws.

Under presentations to the Board, I have asked Ms. Melanie White and Ms. Teresa Blossom to report on the NACOLE conference and the 45th Anniversary Dinner of the Board of Police Commissioners.

Under the Chief's Report, I am requesting an update on our crime statistics and any critical issues facing the Police Department. I ask each of you to note, several months ago, the Chief of Police reported on a problem involving officers who had a history of untruthfulness and were impeding the prosecutions of potential criminals. I ask the Chief of Police to update us on this probe into the Department and his efforts to confront and resolve this issue. I have asked our staff to pull the relevant police policies impacting this issue and a copy of these policies are in your Board package.

At the end of the meeting we will have public comments from the audience. Please make sure you print your name on a speaker's card. Cards are located in the back on the table or can be obtained by seeing Mr. Robert Brown. He will need your card before the end of the Chief's Report. We will hold each speaker to the allotted 2 minutes. I ask that everyone place your cell phones and other electronic devices on vibrate to make sure that they are not interrupting the meeting.

Vice Chair Dewaelsche recognized Commissioner Annie Holt. Commissioner Annie Holt moved to accept a resolution amending the BOPC organizational chart so that the organizational chart is consistent with the existing BOPC By-Laws. Commissioner Evette Griffie, second. (The resolution included in the October 3, 2019 Board package is listed below, BOPC proposed organizational chart attached.) Chair Dewaelsche called for discussion on the motion. Chair Dewaelsche recognized Commissioner Darryl Brown. Commission Darryl Brown, moved to table the aforementioned motion. Commissioner William Davis, second. Chair Dewaelsche proceed on the motion to table Commissioner Holt's motion to amend the BOPC organizational chart. Discussion.

Motion to Table (Commissioner Holt's motion).

Motion by: Brown

Second by: Davis

Vote: Yes=3, No=6

Results: Motion Failed.

Vice Chair Dewaelsche returned to the original motion by Holt. Motion - Commissioner Annie Holt moved to accept a resolution amending the BOPC organizational chart so that the organizational chart is consistent with the existing BOPC By-Laws.

Commissioner Evette Griffie, second.

Motion by: Holt

Second by: Griffie

Vote: Yes=7, No=2

Results: Motion Approved.

## **RESOLUTION FOR ORGANIZATIONAL CHART TO REFLECT BYLAWS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Police Commissioners is empowered by the Detroit City Charter, Section 7-804 to appoint a Secretary to the Board and appoint a Chief Investigator, as well as hire such additional staff as may be necessary.

WHEREAS, ARTICLE IV, Section 10 of the Bylaws on the Functions of the Secretary of the Board states in part, "The Secretary to the Board has the authority and responsibility for supervising all employees, with the exception of the Director of Personnel."

WHEREAS, on Thursday January 24, 2019, at the BOPC community meeting the BOPC voted to approve an organizational chart which was inconsistent with the Bylaws.

WHEREAS, the BOPC organizational chart should be consistent with the BOPC Bylaws.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this resolution would make effective the attached organizational chart so that it is consistent with the Bylaws.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is given immediate effect. The Board of Police Commissioners is hereby authorized to take all necessary and appropriate steps to carry out this Resolution. This resolution was adopted by the Board of Police Commissioners at its meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_\_



Vice Chair Dewaelsche recognized Commissioner Elizabeth Brooks. Commissioner Brooks read into the record a motion acknowledging the contributions to the Detroit Police Department of Investigator Larry Stephens (Posthumously).

BOARD RESOLUTION HONORING INVESTIGATOR LARRY A. STEPHENS (Posthumously)

- WHEREAS Larry A. Stephens was appointed to the Detroit Police Department on September 19, 1994. Upon graduating from the Metropolitan Police Academy, Officer Stephens began his career at the Ninth Precinct; and
- WHEREAS Officer Stephens dutifully served the Ninth Precinct and Narcotics Enforcement Southeast Division before being promoted to Investigator on October 27, 2000, and being reassigned to the Narcotics Enforcement Division. He also served the Ninth Precinct Investigative Operations Unit and the Eastern District Criminal Investigations Unit. On Sunday, September 29, 2019, after 25 years of service, Investigator Larry Stephens, Badge I-0123, passed away; and
- WHEREAS During his law enforcement career, Investigator Stephens was the deserving recipient of one Perfect Attendance Award, three Chief Citation Awards, the Major League Baseball All-Star Recognition Award, the Rosa Parks Funeral Recognition Award, the Super Bowl XL Recognition Award, and numerous letters of commendation from citizens and superiors; and
- WHEREAS Investigator Stephens tirelessly served the Detroit Police Department, the citizens of Detroit and its neighboring communities for 25 years. His professionalism, commitment to public service, integrity and dedication were a credit to the Detroit Police Department. He trained and mentored numerous officers and contributed greatly to the development of many adept professional law enforcement personnel today. He was highly respected by the citizens for whom he served as a consummate professional.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, awards this resolution posthumously in recognition of Investigator Larry A. Stephens' 25 years of dedicated and diligent public service. His professionalism, integrity, and standard of commitment to the city of Detroit and its citizens merit our highest regards. We salute you Investigator Larry A. Stephens for a job well done.

Motion to approved posthumous resolution for Investigator Larry A. Stephens.

Motion by: Holt Second by: Davis Vote: Yes=9, No=0 Results: Motion Approved.

Vice Chair Dewaelsche recognized Commissioner William Davis. Commissioner Davis read into the record a motion acknowledging the contributions to the Detroit Police Department of Police Officer Carlton Orange (Posthumously).

## RESOLUTION HONORING POLICE OFFICER CARLTON STEPHAN ORANGE (Posthumously)

- WHEREAS Carlton Orange was appointed to the Detroit Police Department on January 1, 1998. Upon graduating from the Metropolitan Police Academy, Officer Orange began his career at the Eleventh Precinct; and
- WHEREAS Officer Orange dutifully served the Eleventh Precinct, Court Liaison, Sixth Precinct, Central District, and the Third Precinct. On Monday, September 16, 2019, Police Officer Carlton S. Orange, badge 4440, passed away; and
- WHEREAS During his law enforcement career, Officer Orange was the deserving recipient of a Chief's Citation, the Major League Baseball All-Star Recognition Award, the Rosa Parks Funeral Recognition Award, the Super Bowl XL Recognition Award, and numerous letters of commendation from citizens and superiors; and
- WHEREAS Officer Orange passionately served the Detroit Police Department, and the citizens of Detroit. His professionalism, commitment to public service, integrity, and dedication were a credit to the Detroit Police Department. He was highly respected by his peers as a consummate professional.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police
  Department, awards this resolution posthumously in recognition of Police Officer Carlton Orange's 21 1/2 years of dedicated and
  diligent public service. His professionalism, integrity, and standard of commitment to the city of Detroit and its citizens merit our highest
  regards. We salute you Police Officer Carlton Stephan Orange for a job well done.

Motion to approved posthumous resolution for Police Officer Carlton Orange.

Motion by: Davis Second by: Holt Vote: Yes=9, No=0 Results: Motion Approved.

Vice Chair Dewaelsche recognized Commissioner Willie Beil. Commissioner Bell read into the record a motion acknowledging 50 years of contributions to the Detroit Police Department by Corporal Charles Henley.

#### **RESOLUTION HONORING RETIRING CORPORAL CHARLES T. HENLEY**

WHEREAS Charles Henley was appointed to the Detroit Police Department on September 2, 1969. Upon graduating from the Detroit Metropolitan Police Academy, Police Officer Henley began his career at the Precinct Support Unit; and

WHEREAS He dutifully served the Precinct Support Unit, Twelfth Precinct, Community Relation (P.A.L.) Section, Thirteen Precinct, Crime Prevention Section, Public Information Office (Blue Pigs), Crime Prevention Section again, First Precinct, Operations Portfolio, Central District, Police Community Service, Central Events, and Police Law. Police Officer Henley displayed tremendous diligence and aptitude in his assignments. On October 18, 2018, he was promoted to the rank of Corporal and continued to serve at Police Law until his retirement; and

During his law enforcement career, Corporal Henley was a member of the legendary Blue Pigs. Formed in 1970 as a part of the department's community relations outreach, the band played popular music and provided positive messages to generations of Detroit schoolchildren. He was the deserving recipient of two Chief's Unit Awards, a Chief Merit Award, Perfect Attendance Award, Perfect Driving Award, Consent Judgment Award, the Major League Baseball All-Star Recognition Award, the Rosa Parks Funeral Recognition Award, the Super Bowl XL Recognition Award, the Harvey Relief Award, as well as commendations from supervisors, and numerous letters of appreciation from citizenry; and

WHEREAS Corporal Henley has tirelessly served the Detroit Police Department, the citizens of Detroit and its neighboring communities for 50 years. A remarkable milestone in any career, five decades of law enforcement duty merit special appreciation for Corporal Henley. His professionalism, commitment to public service, integrity, and dedication have been a credit to the Detroit Police Department. He is highly respected as a consummate professional.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, awards this resolution in recognition of Corporal Charles Henley's 50 years of dedicated and diligent public service. His professionalism, integrity, and lifelong commitment to the city of Detroit and its citizens merit our highest regards. We thank and congratulate you, Corporal Charles T. Henley.

Motion to approved posthumous resolution for Police Officer Carlton Orange.

Motion by: Bell Second by: Davis Vote: Yes=9, No=0 Results: Motion Approved.

COP Police Report: Chief of Police, Deputy Chief of Police Marlon Wilson (representing COP James Craig) reviewed with the Board a list of injured officers in the Detroit Police Department. DC Wilson reported crime and statistical data utilizing DPD Department report dated October 3, 2019. DC Wilson reported year-to date data by category including, 2% increase in Criminal Homicides, Sexual Assaults 0% increase, Aggravated Assaults -4% decrease, non-fatal shootings 3% increase, Robbery -2% decrease, Carjacking -23% decrease, Burglary -7% decrease, Larceny -3% decrease, Stolen Vehicle 3% increase and Part 1 offenses -3% decrease. DC Wilson asked DPD Legal Advisor Grant Ha to address the Board on the Giglio List. Second Deputy COP Grant Ha (Legal Advisor to the COP) reported the Department has identified 74 members of the Department who may have issues related to truthfulness. Ha indicated that 20 investigative files on the subject are unable to be located and the balance of 54 members fall within this category. Ha indicated the Department released a teletype on truthfulness in October 2018 setting notice to officers they might face internal or criminal charges for not telling the truth. Ha also briefly outlined the investigative process undertaken by current COP Craig. Ha also indicated the Detroit Police Officer Association (DPOA) filed a grievance alleging unfair labor practice and the grievance is on hold awaiting arbitration.

Presentation to the Board: Melanie White, Executive Manager for Policy and Teresa Blossom BOPC Community Outreach and Media Coordinator re: Summary - 25th NACOLE Conference (Detroit, September 22-26, 2019) and BOPC 45th Anniversary Celebration Dinner (Detroit, September 24, 2019).

Melanie White, Executive Manager for Policy reported the following,

To: Honorable Detroit Board of Police Commissioners'
Update – NACOLE 25th Annual Conference Planning Committee (ACPC), Updates as of October 3, 2019

The Detroit Honorable Board of Police Commissioners hosted the 2019 NACOLE (National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement) 25th Annual Conference where guests attended a successful conference that exceeded conference attendees' expectations. The conference was held at the Renaissance Center Marriott, in Detroit, Mi. from September 22, 2019 – September 26, 2019. This year's conference theme was "NACOLE at 25: Courage, Collaboration, and Community." The NACOLE Committee Chairpersons were: Brian Corr, Immediate Past President, NACOLE, Commissioner Willie E. Bell, Detroit Board of

Police Commissioners and Cathleen Beltz, NACOLE Board Members, Cameron McEllhiney, NACOLE's Director of Training & Education

Opening Reception Event at the 42 Degrees North: NACOLE Conference attendees gathered at the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center 42 Degrees North Dining Area for the Networking Opening Reception where Detroit Honorable Board of Police Commissioners, Detroit Honorary Hosts, and NACOLE Officials gave warm welcoming remarks to attendees welcoming them to the Motor City, a dynamic and historic city. Commissioner Willie E. Bell, Immediate Past Chairperson, and NACOLE Board Member, Deputy Mayor and Chief of Police James E. Craig, City of Detroit, Detroit Police Department, Deputy Chief Todd Bettison, Detroit Police Department, NACOLE President Brian Corr, and Cameron McEllhiney, Training and Education Director, NACOLE, provided greetings and remarks. Attendees also enjoyed an excellent networking experience while enjoying the breathtaking view and ambiance of the venue overlooking the Detroit River and Canada.

Annual Conference Planning Committee/Subcommittees met each month over the past year to discuss the Annual Conference as well as evaluate and identify key workshops and panel discussions that oversight practitioners and professionals would find valuable and useful. Other Subcommittees arranged to ensure success included: (1) 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee, (2) Conference Track Subcommittee, (3) Attendee Engagement Subcommittee.

### **Conference Sessions:**

Over 100 conference proposals were submitted from oversight professionals from around the world for the 2019 NACOLE 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. After extensive review and evaluation by the NACOLE Board and NACOLE's Annual Conference Planning Committee, close to 40 Conference Sessions were selected to align with NACOLE's conference tracks and core competencies:

- Detroit Participated/Presented in (3) Workshops:
- "Hearing Multiple Voices: Town Hall Meetings in a Volatile Environment" with our spectacular expert, Chairperson Lisa Carter,
   Detroit Board of Police Commissioners along with other panel experts, who discussed unique challenges relating to public engagement and transparency.
- "The Detroit Evolution" Panel Discussion featuring our dynamic experts, Immediate Past Chairperson Commissioner Willie E.
   Bell, and Chief of Police James E. Craig, Detroit Police Department who explored Detroit's three different oversight models, types of public engagement and outreach, and why leadership matters in achieving police community-focused policing and police-community relations.
- "The Role of Independent Counsel for Civilian Oversight," with our remarkable experts: Attorney Jermaine Wyrick, Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, Professor Peter J. Hammer, WSU Law School, Damon J. Kelth Justice Center, Professor Richard Friedman, University of Michigan Law School, and Attorney John Quick, Partner, Weiss, Serota, Helfman, Cole & Bierman, Miami, FL., who explored the benefits of independent counsel for civilian oversight.
- <u>"Challenging Stigmas: Policing in the Muslim Community"</u>: \* Recently updated.
   Remarkable Expert Panelists who explored policing in the Muslim community and its impacts:
  - Rana Elmir, Deputy Director, ACLU of Michigan, Detroit, MI
  - Commander Constance Slappey, Detroit Police Department, Detroit, MI
  - Asha Noor, Programming and Outreach Director at CAIR-MI for Safe Spaces, Farmington Hills, Mi.

The Workshop sessions addressed NACOLE's Core Competencies:

• Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement; Investigations; The Public and Transparency; Law; Law Enforcement Policies and Procedures; and Remediation

The Annual Conference Track Descriptions were as follows:

• Training; Community Trust; Institutional Culture and Correctional Oversight and Collaboration

Conference attendees joined in a packed venue for the Opening Remarks, Opening Session, and Keynote Luncheon:

Opening Remarks: Chairperson Lisa Carter, Board of Police Commissioners, Vice-Chairperson Eva Garza Dewaelsche, Board
of Police Commissioners, Honorable Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, Chief of Police James E. Craig, Deputy Mayor,
City of Detroit, NACOLE President Brian Corr, Cambridge, Massachusetts, NACOLE Officials



- Opening Keynote Speaker: The Honorable Judith E. Levy Monday, September 23, 2019, 9:30 a.m. 10:15 a.m. who discussed Detroit's 13 year-long consent decree process and lessons learned.
- Keynote Luncheon & Awards Ceremony: Featuring Barbara McQuade, Professor from Practice, University of Michigan Law School – Monday, September 23, 2019, 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., who referred to all oversight professionals as "Doctors of Democracy" and stated "Go out and heal."

NACOLE's Annual Conference Planning Committee planned the following to make NACOLE's 25th Annual Conference memorable and enjoyable:

- Celebrating NACOLE's 25th Anniversary Sankofa Reception GM World Headquarters Wintergarden, to honor NACOLE Members' contributions to civilian oversight.
- Wreath Release at the Detroit/Wayne County Port Authority
   – where Founders, Board Members, Host Board Honorable Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, and other Dignitaries participated.
- Commemorative Program Booklet Highlighted/Displayed Oversight Agencies (included in the Luncheon Conference Booklet).
- Public Display/Highlight of Oversight Agencies Throughout Conference Venue (Standing Foam Boards); Will be used as a Traveling Exhibit (i.e. Libraries, museums).
- Music Entertainment during Sankofa Reception: Detroit Talent World Renowned Jazz Ensemble(s) Straight Ahead Jazz Band
  and Cass Technical High School Marching Band who performed and escorted conference attendees to the Port Authority for
  the Commemorative Wreath Release Ceremony.
- Special Invitations were distributed to NACOLE Founders, Past Board Members, NACOLE's Supporters, Oversight Leaders, Advocates, and Activists to specially invite officials to 25th Annual Conference for celebration.
- Souvenirs/Special Gifts for Conference Attendees Commemorative 25th Anniversary Souvenir Bags, Pins, Pens, Paperweights.
- . Special thanks to Imperial Fresh Markets and Commissioner Shirley Burch for donating special conference items.

For more information, please see your 2019 NACOLE Conference and Luncheon Booklet, Guidebook Link with specific downloadable material for each session/workshop, or contact the BOPC Administrative Staff.

Ms. Teresa Blossom, BOPC Community Outreach and Media Coordinator gave a summary of the - BOPC 45th Anniversary Celebration Dinner (Detroit, September 24, 2019). Highlights of her presentation include the following,

The Board recognized 2019 as a historic year for both the 1974 Charter that created the civilian oversight and Detroit's first time hosting a national conference on civilian oversight.

Key events included:

- The Community Celebration on Thursday, July 11, 2019, which drew more than 100 people to honor the inaugural meeting of the first board. Its five members Charles Butler, Doug Fraser, Edward Littlejohn, Susan Mills Peek, and Alexander Ritchie met on Monday, July 22, 1974. The celebration coincided with the Board's regular monthly evening community meeting, which was in the 10th Precinct the pivotal area in the 1967 rebellion against police brutality. The 1974 City Charter embedded systemic police and government reforms championed in the aftermath of the rebellion.
- The Board, as the official host organization, successfully worked to have the conference highlight Detroit Police-Community achievements and expertise. This included my participation on a national panel on community meetings; Chief of Police James Craig and past Chair Bell presenting on how Detroit improved constitutional policing, including its work during a 13-year consent and a 2012 new Charter; 11th Precinct Commander Constance Slappey's participation on a panel about eliminating barriers and bias in the Muslim community; and again showing Detroit's leadership in independent oversight, a session led by our attorney Jermaine Wyrick on the importance of any oversight agency to have legal counsel that is not the same legal counsel used by the police department.
- The very special gathering of past and current police commissioners on Tuesday, September 24, 2019, which made for a
  perfect way to conclude the 2019 Celebration year. Sixty-one diverse men and women have served tirelessly in the Board's
  history. It was humbling to see so many police commissioners in the room, along with community members who have
  supported civilian oversight. Mayor Mike Duggan expressed the City's gratitude and reminded everyone who might have



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forgotten – that we all are volunteers and take on this huge task with a special dedication – and no matter what decade, everyone who has sat at this table got their share of criticism, controversy, and praise from all sides.

- The 2019 Celebration Year, especially the national conference, meant a new economic benefit for our city. Detroit drew almost 500 people from around the world, and they helped top the projected tourism spending by the Convention Bureau because these new visitors truly found that Detroit is a great city to live, work and visit. This year also helped expose Detroit youth to networking and learning opportunities, which is always important because each generation needs to be aware of and engaged in this important work of civil rights and public safety.
- The Board met its goals for stakeholder support and community awareness, and we look forward to other celebrations the 50th Anniversary is just around the corner!

**BOPC Standing Committee Reports: None.** 

Report from Secretary to the Board: Mr. Hicks indicated that on the agenda 2 items have come into the Board (see list below). Hicks highlighted each item.

- 1. Communications from Planning, research & development transmitting written proposed DPD Directive to the Board for consideration Directive 301.3 Telephone Crime Reporting of Non-Emergency Calls for Service. (Mr. Hicks indicated that based on a preliminary review by the Policy Division, there appear not to be any substantive changes in the policy, therefore the Policy Division will expedite the proposed directive for Board consideration within the next few weeks.
- 2. Report to the Board Re: Settlement of DPOA Grievance #19-044, e-mailed to Board on 10/1/2019. (Mr. Hicks indicated the report is related to the Chief's recommendation to settle DPOA Grievance #19-044 by bring to the Board promotions of 4 Lieutenant and 15 Sergeants. Hicks also indicated the report review prior grievances related to post examination promotional opportunities. Mr. Hicks distributed a copy of the report to each Commissioner in attendance.

Old Business: Commission Elizabeth Brooks indicated that she had recently attend a meeting of the police foundation and will report on it at a future meeting.

New Business: Commissioner Jim Holley voiced concerns about expediting the implementation of disciplinary decisions made by the Board. He indicated that some disciplinary issues last more than one year. Chair Dewalesche requested a status report on disciplinary issues within the Department. DC Wilson indicated he would request such a report from 2<sup>nd</sup> DC Grant Ha.

Commissioner Holley indicated his suggestion is to meet with all of the parities, including the prosecutor to arrive at a timeline for the disciplinary action and the opportunity to re-visit decisions in cases where the implementation of the disciplinary decision is extended.

Commissioner Darryl Brown indicated the September 5, 2019 meeting of the BOPC was not on the website. Brown also inquired into an e-mail about the appearance of Corporation Counsel for today's meeting. Attorney Jermaine Wyrick indicated a second e-mail was transmitted to the Board indicating that Corporation Counsel would <u>not</u> be in attendance at today's meeting.

**Commission Shirley Burch** she wanted to congratulate Detroit Crime Stopper in connection with a recent program sponsored by the organization.

Commissioner Willie Bell voiced concerns about the length of time associated with the BOPC meetings. He indicated that other Boards and Commissions met for about one-and-one-half to two hours per meeting and BOPC can meet for three to four hours especially at our community meetings. Bell indicated we need to work to streamline our meetings to no more the one-and-one-half hour to two hours per meeting in the future.

Announcements: The October BOPC Community meeting for October 10, 2019 @ 6:30 PM at St. John Presbyterian Church, 1961 East Lafayette, Detroit, MI 48207 (7th Precinct). The following Community Meeting for November, 14, 2019 is scheduled at Second Grace United Methodist Church (6th precinct), 18700 Joy Road, Detroit, MI 48228 at 6:30 PM.

Oral Communications - Mr. Eric Blount indicated he self-financed his registration to attend the NACOLE conference and it futher shows the corruption in this space. Blount also suggested the record related to the BOPC's vote on facial recognition is misleading, he indicated that the total vote was 8-3 for FR, but of the elected official of the BOPC the vote was 3-3, he also said that the vote by Commissioner Griffie should not be counted as an elected official inasmuch as she was appointed by the Mayor. Blount concluded by saying that the Department needs another 13 year consent decree. Mr. Blount also indicated he could not locate the September 5, 2019 BOPC video on the City's website. He indicated it is important because it has a white republican criticizing the facial recognition industry (NOTE: As of 10/4/2019, said video is accessible at the website, http://video.detroitmi.gov/CablecastPublicSite/show/7644?channel=3). Ms. Faith commented on the Board professionalism and Commissioner Holley's humor. She also indicated that demeanor and practice of the Board was balanced. Ms. Debra Ruffin indicates she was the victim of identity theft and property fraud. She summarized several encounters with DPD and indicated the investigations into her matter have not provided the results, given the information that she has provided to the Department. She indicated she most recently contacted Chief Craig's office and was told to attend the BOPC meeting to seek help. DC Wilson directed Ms. Ruffin to talk to Commander Hayes and indicated because he (Wilson) is over the Detective Section he would also talk with her after the meeting. Ms. Valerie Glynn requested a copy of the BOPC By-laws. She also inquired as to who prepares the minutes of the BOPC meetings. She indicated she attended the BOPC Community meeting at Kemerny Recreation Center and upon reading the minutes it depicted a bias against Commissioner Burton. She also indicated that Ms. Smith had attacked Commissioner Burton and there is no record of this event in the minutes. Ms. Brenda Hill suggested that the BOPC cut down on the presentations on its agenda to allow for more time for citizen involvement. She read the mission statement of the BOPC and indicated the Board is failing. She also indicated that 100 plus people and organizations had expressed their opposition to facial recognition and the Board ignored their input. Hill indicated that other state and local officials are taken up legislation to address facial recognition. Hill also restated the Board is violating the Open Meetings Act. Ms. Joanne Warwick expressed a concern about the writing of the BOPC minutes; some public comments are verbatim and others are summaries. She also indicated that she witnessed the attack by Smith on Burton and inquired why she was not arrested. She also indicated that camera malfunctions and facial recognition malfunctions are a national disgrace and she found that NACOLE conference appeared to be counter to the above. Ms. Warwick also reported PO Darryl Cross, Tyrone Hunter and Cindy Rogers as city personnel that have work to diminish her previous reports of abuse. Ms. Michelle George indicated she missed the NACOLE conference and attended a conference of the Nation Action Network who had a panel discussion of facial recognition. Ms. George indicated that Detroit is under an apartheid system with its problems of literacy, lack of citizen governance with Emergency Managers and Facial Review Boards. She indicated that the city is 80% black with a white mayor, we have to vote in 2021. Additionally she said we are trying to get more money for police officers and we spend money on software. We have to fight facial recognition as a civil rights issue. Ms. George also indicated that Detroit is still under emergency management. Mr. Reginald Crawford, former Police Commissioner indicated he remains opposed to facial recognition. He commented on truthfulness indicating if you tell the truth all the time you will not need to cover up anything. He also commented on comments that he indicated Commissioners Brown and Griffie made about the recent closed session regarding Sergeant Martin. He also indicated that the media including the Detroit News works with the Department to create false narratives. He indicated there where 4 cameras at the Greektown incident and the Board had not seen all of the videos. He also indicated that every time there is a false narrative he would be here (Commission Meetings) to advance a counter-narrative to the police narrative.

Chair Dewaelsche, asked if there were any other business to come before the Board?

Commissioner Griffie moved adjournment, Holt second. Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:48 PM